UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

CECHDITIES AND EVOLANCE COMMISSION

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

- against - : 08 Civ. 10791 (LLS) : ECF CASE

BERNARD L. MADOFF and : BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT :

SECURITIES LLC,

Defendants.

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## SEC RESPONSE TO RECEIVER TERMINATION REQUEST

Plaintiff Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") submits the following response pursuant to the Court's order dated March 2, 2009. The SEC consents to the relief requested in the February 26, 2009 Report of Receiver Lee S. Richards and Application to Terminate the Receivership and agrees with the reasons given by the Receiver for the withdrawal. The SEC agrees to continue coordination with the Joint Provisional Liquidators appointed by the U.K. High Court of Justice over Madoff Securities International Ltd. in order to protect and preserve the assets of MSIL. The termination of the receivership will not affect the cooperation directed by paragraph two of the December 19, 2008 Order of the High Court of Justice, Chancery

## Division, Companies Court, In the Matter of Madoff Securities International Limited and in the

## Matter of the Insolvency Act of 1986.

Dated: New York, New York March 9, 2009

Respectfully Submitted,

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